MESSAGE NO: 2217113 MESSAGE DATE: 08/04/1992

MESSAGE STATUS: Active CATEGORY: Antidumping

TYPE: INI-Initiation of Review PUBLIC NON-PUBLIC

SUB-TYPE:

FR CITE: FR FR CITE DATE:

REFERENCE MESSAGE #

(s):

CASE #(s):

EFFECTIVE DATE: COURT CASE #:

PERIOD OF REVIEW: TO

PERIOD COVERED: 08/04/1992 TO

 Notice of Lifting of Suspension Date:

TO: { Directors Of Field Operations, Port Directors }

FROM: { Director AD/CVD & Revenue Policy & Programs }

RE: INITIATION OF ANTIDUMPING INVESTIGATION OF CERTAIN COMPACT DUCTILE IRON WATERWORKS FITTINGS AND ACCESSORIES THEREOF FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA (A-570-820)

MESSAGE NO: 2217113 DATE: 08 04 1992

CATEGORY: ADA TYPE: INI

REFERENCE: REFERENCE DATE:

CASES: A - 570 - 820 - -

- - -

- - -

PERIOD COVERED: 08 04 1992 TO

LIQ SUSPENSION DATE:

TO: REGIONAL DIRECTORS, COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS DISTRICT DIRECTORS, AREA AND PORT DIRECTORS

FROM: DIRECTOR, IMPORT SPECIALIST DIVISION

RE: INITIATION OF ANTIDUMPING INVESTIGATION OF CERTAIN COMPACT DUCTILE IRON WATERWORKS FITTINGS AND ACCESSORIES THEREOF FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA (A-570-820)

- 1. THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE WILL PUBLISH ON AUGUST 4, 1992,
 THE NOTICE OF ITS INITIATION OF THE ANTIDUMPING DUTY
 INVESTIGATION OF CERTAIN COMPACT DUCTILE IRON WATERWORKS FITTINGS
 AND ACCESSORIES THEREOF FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.
- 2. THE MERCHANDISE SUBJECT TO THIS INVESTIGATION ARE ALL IMPORTS OF 1) CERTAIN COMPACT DUCTILE IRON WATERWORKS (CDIW) FITTINGS OF
- 3 TO 16 INCHES NOMINAL DIAMETER REGARDLESS OF SHAPE, INCLUDING

Message Date: 08/04/1992 Message Number: 2217113 Page 2 of 5

BENDS, TEES, CROSSES, WYES, REDUCERS, ADAPTERS, AND OTHER SHAPES, WHETHER OR NOT CEMENT LINED, AND WHETHER OR NOT COVERED WITH BITUMEN OR SIMILAR SUBSTANCE CONFRORMING TO AWWA/ANSI SPECIFICATION C153/A21.53 AND RATED FOR WATER WORKING PRESSURE OF 350 PSI; AND 2) CERTAIN CDIW FITTINGS ACCESSORIES WHICH TYPICALLY CONSIST OF A STANDARD DUCTILE IRON GLAND, A STYRENE BUTADIENE RUBBER (SBR) GASKET, THE REQUISITE NUMBER OF COR-TEN STEEL OR DUCTILE IRON T-HEAD BOLTS, AND HEXAGONAL NUTS WHETHER SOLD SEPARATELY OR TOGETHER IN KITS, ALSO CALLED ACCESSORY PACKS, FOR FITTINGS IN SIZES 3 TO 16 INCHES, CONFORMING TO AWWA/ANSI SPECIFICATION C111/A21.11 AND RATE FOR WATER WORKING PRESSURE OF 350 PS1.

CDIW FITTINGS ARE CLASSIFIABLE UNDER SUBHEADING 7307.19.3000 OF THE HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE OF THE UNITED STATES (HTS). STANDARD DUCTILE IRON GLANDS ARE CLASSIFIABLE UNDER HTS SUBHEADING 7325.99.1000.3. STYRENE BUTADIENE RUBBER GASKETS ARE CLASSIFIABLE UNDER HTS SUBHEADING 4016.93.0000.3. T-HEAD BOLTS OF STEEL OR DUCTILE IRON WITH HEXAGONAL NUTS ARE CLASSIFIABLE UNDER HTS SUBHEADING 7318.15.2090.2. T-HEAD BOLTS OF STEEL OR DUCTILE IRON WITHOUT HEXAGONAL NUTS ARE CLASSIFIABLE UNDER HTS SUBHEADING 7318.15.8080.1. AND HEXAGONAL NUTS ARE CLASSIFIABLE UNDER HTS SUBHEADING 7318.16.0000.4.

NONMALLEABLE CAST IRON FITTINGS AND FULL BODIED DUCTILE FITTINGS ARE SPECIFICALLY EXCLUDED FROM THE SCOPE OF THIS INVESTIGATION. NONMALLEABLE CAST IRON FITTINGS HAVE LITTLE DUCTILITY AND ARE GENERALLY RATED ONLY TO 150 OR 250 PSI. FULL-BODIED DUCTILE FITTINGS HAVE A LONGER BODY DESIGN THAN A COMPACT FITTING BECAUSE THE STRAIGHT SECTION OF THE BODY IS DELETED TO PROVIDE A MORE COMPACT AND LESS HEAVY FITTING WITHOUT REDUCING STRENGTH OR FLOW CHARACTERISTICS. IN ADDITION, THE FULL-BODIED FITTINGS ARE MADE OF EITHER GRAY IRON OR DUCTILE IRON, IN SIZES 3 INCHES TO 48 INCHES, AND CONFORM TO AWWA/ANSI SPECIFICATION C110/C21.10. IN ADDITION, COMPACT DUCTILE IRON FLANGED FITTINGS ARE EXCLUDED FROM

Message Date: 08/04/1992 Message Number: 2217113 Page 3 of 5

THE SCOPE OF THIS INVESTIGATION.

ALTHOUGH THE HTS SUBHEADINGS ARE PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE AND CUSTOMS PURPOSES, OUR WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE SCOPE OF THESE PROCEEDINGS IS DISPOSITIVE.

- 3. FOR FURTHER REPORTING PURPOSES, THIS CASE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED THE FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION NUMBER: A-570-820.
- 4. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER BY CUSTOMS OFFICERS, PLEASE CONTACT THE IMPORT SPECIALIST DIVISION, OTHER AGENCY BRANCH VIA E-MAIL BY USING ATTRIBUTE "HQ OAB". OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD CONTACT BRIAN SMITH, OFFICE OF ANTIDUMPING INVESTIGATIONS, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AT (202) 377-1766.
- 5. THERE ARE NO RESTRICTIONS ON THE RELEASE OF THIS INFORMATION.

NANCY MCTIERNAN

Message Date: 08/04/1992 Message Number: 2217113 Page 4 of 5

Company Details

*Party Indicator Value:

I = Importer, M = Manufacturer, E = Exporter, S = Sold To Party